

SENATE BILL NO. 192

BY SENATORS MOUNT, CHEEK, NEVERS, SHAW AND WALSWORTH AND
REPRESENTATIVES BALDONE, BURFORD, HENRY BURNS,
CARMODY, CORTEZ, DOWNS, EDWARDS, GUILLORY, GUINN,
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1 AN ACT

2 To enact R.S. 46:1429, relative to child care facilities and child-placing agencies; to provide
3 with respect to licensure; to provide for an exception for certain religious
4 organizations; and to provide for related matters.

5 Be it enacted by the Legislature of Louisiana:

6 Section 1. R.S. 46:1429 is hereby enacted to read as follows:

7 **§1429. Exceptions; religious organizations**

8 **A recognized religious organization which is qualified as a tax-exempt**
9 **organization under Section 501(c) of the Internal Revenue Code, which remains**
10 **open for not more than twenty-four hours in a continuous seven-day week, and**
11 **in which no individual child remains for more than twenty-four hours in one**
12 **continuous stay shall not be considered a "day care center" for purposes of this**
13 **Chapter.**

14 Section 2. This Act shall become effective upon signature by the governor or, if not
15 signed by the governor, upon expiration of the time for bills to become law without signature
16 by the governor, as provided by Article III, Section 18 of the Constitution of Louisiana. If
17 vetoed by the governor and subsequently approved by the legislature, this Act shall become
18 effective on the day following such approval.

PRESIDENT OF THE SENATE

SPEAKER OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF LOUISIANA

APPROVED: _____